

## **FUR BUYER'S LICENSE**

### **IC 14-8-2-109 "Fur buyer"**

Sec. 109. "Fur buyer", for purposes of IC 14-22, means a person who purchases or solicits:

- (1) the purchase of a furbearing mammal; or
- (2) the untanned hide or fur of a furbearing mammal;

whether in the buyer's behalf or as agent for another person.

*As added by P.L.1-1995, SEC.1.*

### **IC 14-22-19 Fur Buyer's License**

#### **IC 14-22-19-1 License requirement**

Sec. 1. A person must have a license issued by the department to engage in the business of buying furbearing mammals or the untanned hides or furs of furbearing mammals in Indiana.

*As added by P.L.1-1995, SEC.15.*

#### **IC 14-22-19-2 Types of licenses; fees**

Sec. 2. The department may issue the following licenses to engage in the business of buying furbearing mammals or the untanned hides, skins, and furs of furbearing mammals in Indiana upon payment of the following license fees:

(1) A resident buyer's license, authorizing purchases direct from trappers or from other licensed buyers, seventy-five dollars (\$75).

(2) A nonresident buyer's license, authorizing purchases direct from trappers or from other licensed buyers, one hundred twenty-five dollars (\$125).

*As added by P.L.1-1995, SEC.15.*

#### **IC 14-22-19-3 Issuance; expiration**

Sec. 3. Upon receipt of an application containing the proper information and the prescribed fee, the department shall issue a license to the applicant. The license:

(1) expires June 30 after the date of issue; and

(2) entitles the holder to purchase:

(A) furbearing mammals; or

(B) the untanned hides, skins, or furs of furbearing mammals.

*As added by P.L.1-1995, SEC.15.*

#### **IC 14-22-19-4 Agents or employees of license holders**

Sec. 4. The agents or employees of a person who is licensed are exempt from procuring a license to purchase:

(1) furbearing mammals; or

(2) the untanned hides, skins, or furs of furbearing mammals;

at the office or place of business of the person for whom the license was issued.

*As added by P.L.1-1995, SEC.15.*

#### **IC 14-22-19-5 Direct purchases from trappers**

Sec. 5. Purchases direct from trappers may be made only during the open season on the furbearing mammals and the grace period provided by this article.

*As added by P.L.1-1995, SEC.15.*

#### **IC 14-22-19-6 Reports**

Sec. 6. Every licensed fur buyer shall, within sixty (60) days from the last day of the open season for

taking or killing furbearing mammals, make a report in writing to the department of all purchases of furbearing mammals made during the preceding open season and the grace period.  
*As added by P.L.1-1995, SEC.15.*

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### **312 IAC 9-10-12 Fur buyers' licenses**

Authority: IC 14-11-2-1; IC 14-22-2-6; IC 14-22-19

Affected: IC 14-22-19-3

Sec. 12. (a) This section applies to a person who is issued a fur buyer's license under IC 14-22-19-3.

(b) Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, a licensed fur buyer may possess the carcasses and untanned hides:

- (1) of furbearing mammals that are lawfully taken in season for not more than sixty (60) days after the last day of that season; and
- (2) for bobcats, river otters, and badgers, for not more than sixty (60) days from receipt of the carcass or untanned hide.

(c) A licensed fur buyer must do the following:

- (1) Not possess the carcass or untanned hide or any part of a bobcat, river otter, or badger unless the carcass, untanned hide, or part was lawfully acquired outside Indiana.
- (2) Document lawful acquisition by providing from the seller a legible copy of any:
  - (A) tag;
  - (B) receipt;
  - (C) hunting license;
  - (D) trapping license;
  - (E) permit; or
  - (F) other appropriate record;

from the state or country where the animal, including any part or portion of the animal, was acquired.

(d) Notwithstanding subsection (b), a licensed fur buyer may, as authorized by the division director, possess a carcass or untanned hide in excess of sixty (60) days after the:

- (1) close of a season; or
  - (2) receipt of a carcass or untanned hide of a bobcat, river otter, or badger;
- upon the submission of a report identifying the species, number, and location that furs or carcasses are kept.

(e) A licensed fur buyer must issue a valid, dated receipt for any wild animal that is sold, traded, bartered, or gifted. The receipt must include the following information:

- (1) The fur buyer's license number.
- (2) The buyer's and the seller's names and addresses.
- (3) The:
  - (A) number; and
  - (B) species;of animals sold.

*(Natural Resources Commission; 312 IAC 9-10-12; filed May 12, 1997, 10:00 a.m.: 20 IR 2732; readopted filed Jul 28, 2003, 12:00 p.m.: 27 IR 286)*

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### **IC 14-8-2-108 "Furbearing mammal"**

Sec. 108. "Furbearing mammal", for purposes of IC 14-22, means beaver, red fox, gray fox, long tailed weasel, mink, muskrat, raccoon, coyote, opossum, or skunk.

*As added by P.L.1-1995, SEC.1.*